

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are pending in the application. Claims 16-22 are withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-15 are rejected.

Claims 1-15 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hughes and Giles. Claims 1 and 15 include ... a dummy match row unit ... configured to match layout parasitics of match lines of the memory cells The references of record do not show, teach, or suggest the above limitations of claims 1 and 15. The references do not teach matching the layout parasitics of match lines of the memory cells with the dummy unit. Claims 2-14 depend from claim 1. Therefore, claims 1-15 are believed to be allowable over the references of record.

It is believed that the above remarks are fully responsive to the Official Action. Reconsideration and allowance are therefore respectfully requested.

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